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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a three month extension of time to reply to the Official Action mailed July 3, 2002. This three month extension extends the period for response to January 3, 2002. Please charge Deposit Account No. 50-0540 in the amount of \$920.00 to cover the fee for this three month extension for a large entity. Please charge any additional fees due, and credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0540.

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